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**UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL LETTER  
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**PATENT**

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Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 CFR 1.53(b) is:

- ☐ a patent application  
☐ a Continuation ☐ a Divisional ☒ a Continuation-in-Part (CIP) Application of prior application no.: 10/434,009; filed May 8, 2003, the disclosure of which is hereby incorporated herein by reference in its entirety.  
☐ and claims the benefit of Provisional Application Nos. 60/392,671 filed 6/27/02; and 60/440,513, filed 1/16/03, the disclosure of which is hereby incorporated herein by reference in its entirety.

Inventor(s) or Application Identifier:

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Entitled: **APPARATUS, SYSTEMS AND RELATED METHODS FOR PROCESSING,  
DISPENSING AND/OR EVALUATING NON-PHARMACEUTICAL DRY POWDERS**

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Enclosed are:

1. ☒ Application Transmittal Letter and Fee Transmittal Form (*A duplicate is enclosed for fee processing*)
2. ☒ **54** pages of Specification (including **65** claims)
3. ☒ **16** sheets of Formal Drawings (35 USC 113)
4. ☐ Oath or Declaration
  - a. ☐ newly executed (*original or copy*)
  - b. ☐ copy from prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d) (*for continuation/divisional*)) [Note Box 6 Below]
  - c. ☐ **DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)** (*Signed statement deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application*)
5. ☐ Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76
6. ☐ Incorporation By Reference (*useable if box 4b is checked*)

The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 4b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated

by reference therein.


7. ☐ Microfiche Computer Program (*Appendix*)  
8. ☐ Assignment papers (*cover sheet(s) and document(s)*)  
9. ☒ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.  
10. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449, and \_\_\_\_\_ references cited  
11. ☐ Preliminary Amendment (*Please enter all claim amendments prior to calculating the filing fee.*)  
12. ☐ English Translation Document  
13. ☐ Certified Copy of \_\_\_\_\_ Application No. \_\_\_\_\_ ; Filed  
14. ☐ Sequence Listing/ Sequence Listing Diskette  
    a. ☐ computer readable copy  
    b. ☐ paper copy  
    c. ☐ statement in support  
15. ☐ An Associate Power of Attorney  
16. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) (*Should be specifically itemized*)  
17. ☐ Other:

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Respectfully submitted,

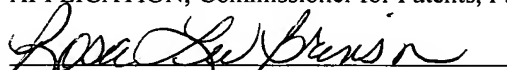
  
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Sir:

The above-identified application is being filed on behalf of the inventors, **Timothy M. Crowder**, a citizen of the United States of America, residing at 4208 Thetford Road, Durham, North Carolina 27707; **Anthony J. Hickey**, a citizen of the United Kingdom, residing at 1208 Killington Court, Chapel Hill, North Carolina 27514; and **Vanessa Boeckestein**, a citizen of the United States of America, residing at 9202 Rose Garden Lane, Durham, North Carolina 27707, under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.41(c). A Declaration and Power of Attorney from the inventors will follow, 37 CFR 1.63.

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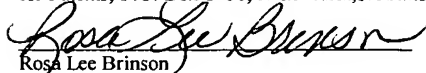
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